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Atty Docket No: 407T-894210US

Client Ref: 96-351-1

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

**CHRISTOPHER C. BENZ, GARY K. SCOTT, and CHUAN-HSIUNG CHANG**

Application No.: **08/978,217**

Filed: **11/25/1997**

For: **A NEW ETS-RELATED GENE  
OVEREXPRESSED IN HUMAN BREAST  
AND EPITHELIAL CANCERS**

Examiner: A. Holleran

Art Unit: 1642

**AMENDMENT**

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 10, 2001, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

The following documents are enclosed herewith:

- 1) A petition to extend the period of response for three months;
- 2) A supplemental Information Disclosure Statement;
- 3) Formal Drawings;
- 4) A Request for Continued Examination (RCE);
- 5) Exhibit A: Example 9 from Revised Interim Written Description Training Examples; and
- 6) Formal Drawings -- 23 sheets.

Please amend the specification and claims as follows:

**In the Specification:**

After the specification, please delete the existing drawings and insert the accompanying drawings 1 through 10B (23 pages).